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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL TRAVEL OF COMMERCE DEPUTY ASSISTANT
SECRETARY ALAN A. REICH (BEWT)

1. COMMERCE DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY ALAN A. REICH, DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF EAST-WEST TRADE, WILL BE ON OFFICIAL TRAVEL IN EASTERN EUROPE JULY 16-24 AND WOULD LIKE TO ADD BELGRADE AND LONDON TO HIS ITINERARY IF THIS IS CONVENIENT TO THE POSTS. MR. REICH WILL BE ACCCOMPANIED BY MRS. REICH AND FSO ALTON L. JENKENS, DIRECTOR, EASTERN EUROPEAN AFFAIRS DIVISION, BEWT.

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2. PROPOSED ITINERARY:

JULY 24 DEPART BUCHAREST 1340 FOR BELGRADE AZ-523 (ETA 1340)

JULY 27 DEPART BELGRADE 1705 FOR LONDON BEA 821 (ETA 2045)

JULY 31 DEPART LONDON 1220 FOR DULLES PA-107

3. FOR BELGRADE. PURPOSE OF VISIT WILL BE TO DISCUSS

WITH EMBASSY COMMERCIAL PERSONNEL FURTHER COOPERATION REGARDING BEWT'S TSS PROGRAM AND OTHER BUREAU ACTIVITIES THAT MAY BE PERTINENT TO YUGOSLAVIA. IN ADDITION DAS REICH WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY BRIEFING ON U.S.-GOY COMMERCIAL RELATIONS AND FRAMEWORK WITHIN WHICH U.S. BUSINESS OPERATES IN YUGOSLAVIA. THIS WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL IN TERMS OF GIVING BEWT A BETTER PERSPECTIVE OF THE RANGE OF DIFFERENCES THAT EXIST AMONG COMMUNIST COUNTRIES REGARDING CENTRALIZATION OF ECONOMIC DECISION-MAKING AND COULD PROVIDE SOME IDEAS FOR FUTURE BEWT INITIATIVES. CALLS ON GOY OFFICIALS WILL NOT BE NECESSARY UNLESS THE EMBASSY FEELS THAT THEY WOULD SERVE A USEFUL PURPOSE GIVEN MR. REICH'S OBJECTIVES IN VISITING YUGOSLAVIA.

4. FOR LONDON. MR. REICH WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH HIS COUNTERPARTS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND OTHER GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS DEALING WITH EAST-WEST COMMERCIAL RELATIONS. MR. REICH WILL ACCEPT EMBASSY'S ADVICE AS TO WHOM HE SHOULD SEE AND REQUESTS THAT APPOINTMENTS BE MADE. PURPOSE OF CALLS WILL BE TO DISCUSS THE EAST-WEST TRADE POLICY OF THE TWO GOVERNMENTS. IF POSSIBLE, HE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A MEETING WITH PROFESSOR PETER WILES (LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS) WHO WAS REICH'S TUTOR AT OXFORD IN 1953. MR. REICH WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY

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BRIEFING PRIOR TO MAKING CALLS. WHERE APPROPRIATE, CALLS SHOULD BE COORDINATED WITH THOSE ALREADY SCHEDULED FOR ALLEN J. LENZ (LONDON 10803).

5. MR. REICH IS CONFINED TO A WHEELCHAIR AND WILL REQUIRE ASSISTANCE BOARDING AND DEPARTING FROM AIRCRAFT. PLEASE MEET AND ARRANGE APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE.

6. PLEASE RESERVE DOUBLE ROOM FOR DAS AND MRS. REICH AND SINGLE FOR JENKENS. IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE TO AVOID TOO MANY STAIRS. VANCE

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